

Rep. Avery

It is always important for me to know your opinions on various issues related to state government. It is even more vital now with a new governor in the Statehouse, the long legislative session complete and the short legislative session now under way.

going too far?

The new administration and the Republican majority in both the House and Senate passed several bills which have proved very controversial. The new state budget has resulted in large property tax increases across Indiana while forcing many local school corporations to slash personnel and programs.

The governor has used his executive powers to close local license branches, delay local road construction projects, and close the Silvercrest Children's Developmental Center. He has also announced plans to privatize various government operations, including state prisons and state hospitals – including the Evansville State Hospital.

Your opinion counts

I anticipate several important proposals will emerge in the next few months and I need your opinions. I encourage you to complete the survey to the right and mail it to my office.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Cut along dashed line, fold survey in half, tape, and mail to Rep. Avery



2006 Legislative Survey

Please complete this survey and return it to me by mail or online at www.in.gov/H75.

Two sets of answers are provided so a second person of your household may respond.

The presence of a question in this survey does not necessarily indicate Rep. Avery's support or opposition for the issue.

	1st person	2nd person
1. Do you believe Indiana should conduct a statewide referendum in 2006 to determine if our state should observe Eastern time or Central time?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
2. Do you support legislation requiring a referendum on whether to create a committee to study combining city and county governments in Evansville and Vanderburgh County?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
3. Do you agree with the governor's plan to lease or sell the Indiana Toll Road in Northern Indiana to private or foreign investors?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
4. Do you agree with the governor's proposal that the Interstate 69 extension from Indianapolis to Evansville should be operated as a toll road?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
5. Do you agree with the governor's plan that the Interstate 69 extension from Indianapolis to Evansville should be leased or sold to private or foreign corporations?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
6. Do you support the Governor's proposals to sell, lease, or privatize some of the state's operations, such as prisons, hospitals, highways, and parks?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
7. Should local units of government be given the option of enacting local option income or sales taxes in order to fund local services, such as schools and police or fire protection?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
8. Recent Supreme Court rulings have allowed private property to be taken through eminent domain for private development. Should Indiana pass laws to curb this practice?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
9. Should video gambling machines (cherry masters, video poker, etc.) be allowed in restaurants, bars, and fraternal organizations in Indiana, with the state collecting a share of the proceeds?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
10. Do you support giving the horse racing tracks and off-track betting parlors approval to operate video gambling machines?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
11. Indiana's minimum wage for workers is presently \$5.15 an hour, a figure that has not been changed since 1998. Would you support an increase in the state's minimum wage?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
12. I have introduced legislation that would allow taxpayers to contribute \$1 of their income tax return to a fund to assist families of National Guard members and Reservists that are called to active duty who have financial needs. Do you think this is a good idea?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion
13. I have introduced legislation that allows spouses or parents of National Guard members and Reservists to take an unpaid leave from their employment of 10 to 15 days to be with their loved ones prior to deployment in a war zone. Do you think this is a good idea?	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion	<input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> no opinion

Comments: _____

Rep. Avery Values Your Opinion

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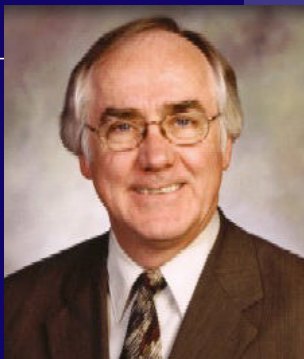
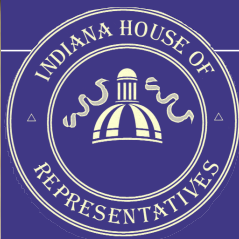
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